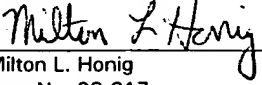


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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

*(for Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C § 132, effective May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995))*

Customer Number: 000201  
 Attorney Docket No.: C4007(C)  
 Applicant: Hage et al.  
 Serial No.: 09/650,134  
 Filed: August 29, 2000  
 For: COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR BLEACHING A SUBSTRATE  
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37. C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

### APPLICATION ELEMENTS

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
  - i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
  - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
  - iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
  - i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
  - ii. ☐ Affidavits(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - a. ☒ PTO-1449
    - b. ☒ Copies of IDS citations
  - iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**2. Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. ((Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l) required).)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_.

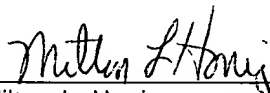
**3. Fees** (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)

- a. ☒ The director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 12-1155.
- i. ☒ \$740.00 (RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e))
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required to our Deposit Account No. 12-1155.

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